

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Frus et al.

Art Unit: 2821

Application No. Continuation of 09/519,545

Examiner: Philogene, H.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
CONTROLLABLY GENERATING
SPARKS IN AN IGNITION SYSTEM OR
THE LIKE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before the heading "Field of the Invention" on line 3, add the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application number 09/519,545 filed March 6, 2000, U.S. Patent number 6,353,293. 09/519,545 is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application number 08/922,242, filed September 2, 1997, U.S. Patent number 6,034,483. 08/922,242 is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application number 08/502,713, filed July 14, 1995, U.S. Patent number 5,754,011. This application is entitled to the earliest filing date pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 2-73

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